

Shaykh Sulaymān al-'Alwān(حفظه الله) was asked about the ruling on urinating while standing:

Shaykh Sulaymān al-'Alwān(حفظه الله) responded by saying:

The most correct opinion in this matter is the permissibility of urinating while standing without it being disliked.

Huthayfa(رضي الله عنه) said "The Prophet(صلى الله عليه وسلم) went to the dumps of some people, so he urinated standing, then he asked for water, so I brought water to him & he made wudū" narrated by al-Bukhārī(رحمه الله) hadīth #224, from the chain of Shu'bah from al-A'mash from Abī Wā'il from Huthayfa(رضي الله عنه) and Imām Muslim(رحمه الله) narrated it [Hadīth #273] from the chain of Abī Khaythama from al-A'mash, and al-Bukhārī(رحمه الله) wrote a sub-heading for it "The chapter of urinating while standing & sitting"

And this is the practise of the early arabs, they would urinate standing & al-Islām has accepted that, as the Prophet(صلى الله عليه وسلم) urinated while standing to show that it's permissible, and this is what a group from his Sahābah adopted, and ibn Sīreen(رحمه الله) and 'Urwa ibn al-Zubayr(رحمه الله) from the Tābi'een.

Some of the scholars have abstained from acting upon the hadīth of Huthayfa(رضي الله عنه) because it's abrogated, and this is wrong.

And a group of scholars have said, rather he urinated standing because of an injury in the back of his thigh(enclosed space between the knee) & there's a hadīth regarding this, but it's not authentic.

And another group of scholars have said, rather he urinated standing because he couldn't find a place to sit.

And Ā'isha(رضي الله عنها) has said "Whoever informs you that the Prophet(صلى الله عليه وسلم) would urinate standing, do not believe him, he would not urinate except sitting" This was narrated by al-Tirmidhī(رحمه الله)... [Hadith #12] from the chain of Sharīk from al-Miqdām ibn Shurayh from his father from Ā'isha(رضي الله عنها) and it contains Sharīk who is weak in memory, Sufyān has also narrated this hadīth(same meaning & wording) which has been narrated by Ahmad(رحمه الله) and others.[So this hadīth gets raised as Hassan because of this follow up]

And there's no proof in the report to say it's disliked to urinate standing, indeed Ā'isha(رضي الله عنها) is reporting from her knowledge(that the prophet would only urinate sitting), while others have memorised what is hidden from her.

And 'Omar ibn al-Khattāb(رضي الله عنه) said "The Prophet(صلى الله عليه وسلم) saw me while I was urinating standing, so he said 'Ya Omar, do not urinate standing', so I did not urinate standing after this" and this is agreed upon regarding its weakness, and there's no hadīth Marfū'(from the Prophet) to be used as proof to prohibit urinating while standing.

What's correct, is that it's permissible, as the Prophet(صلى الله عليه وسلم) has done so, and a group from among the Sahābah have done so, however urinating while sitting is better because it's what is mostly done from the Prophet(صلى الله عليه وسلم) in his urinating and Allāh(جل وعلا) knows best.